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29. (New) A method for attaching one or more items to a desired article, comprising:

providing a device to attach to the desired article, wherein said desired article has: (i) an interior side facing toward an interior volume defined substantially by said desired article, said interior volume adapted for placing one or more body portions or objects therein, (ii) an exterior side facing substantially away from the interior volume, and (iii) an article aperture from the interior side to the exterior side;

wherein said device includes (a) and (b) following:

- (a) an extended post having a length with first and second ends terminating said length, and said extended post having at least one post aperture running transversely through said length; and

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(b) a shoulder operatively connected to said post at said first end,
wherein said shoulder has an extent traverse to the length that does
not fit through the article aperture;

wherein said extended post includes an outwardly extending portion extending
along said length: (1) from, and including, said post aperture, and (2) to said second
end, wherein an entire exterior of said outwardly extending portion fits through the
article aperture;

wherein said extended post also includes a first portion extending between at
least a portion of said shoulder and said outwardly extending portion, for providing
support to said device on said desired article when a step of fitting said outwardly
extending portion through said article aperture is performed;

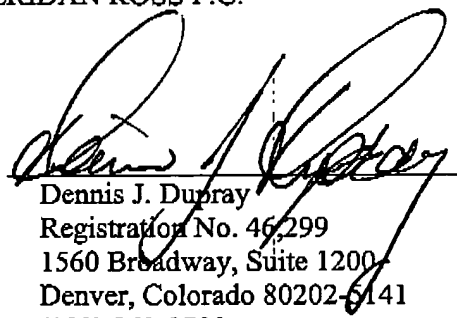
attaching at least one item through said post aperture, said item restricting a
disengagement of said device from the desired article; and

removing said device from said desired article by removing said at least one
item from said post aperture.

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